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COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC Railroad Information from Oranienburg

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DATE PREPARED 22 June 1953

REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. The following Soviet shipments passed through the Oranienburg freight station between 29 May and 5 June 1953:

<u>Time and Date</u>	<u>Shipment</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
9:20 a.m. 29 May	1 boxcar with 1 officer and 6 EM wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 2 boxcars with 6 tons cargo each, and 6 flatcars with 52 new field kitchens	Frankfurt/Oder- border	Jueterbog- Altes Lager
4:10 p.m. 30 May	1 boxcar with 1 officer and 5 EM wearing light-blue epaulets, and 5 flatcars with 15 sheet-metal cases of about 3.5 x 4 x 2 meters	Sassnitz- harbor	Brandenburg- Altstadt
6:15 a.m. 2 June	4 boxcars with soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, and 18 flatcars with a 132-mm rocket launcher each	Templin	Schoenwalde near Boetzow- harbor
6:15 a.m. 4 June	1 boxcar with 2 officers and 9 EM wearing red-bordered black epaulets, 4 boxcars with 11 tons cargo each, and 10 [REDACTED] almost new prime movers	Frankfurt/Oder- border	Wolmirstedt

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in the  
morning  
5 June

3 boxcars with  
soldiers wearing  
red-bordered black  
epaulets, and

Dallgow-  
Doebritz

Fuerstenberg

1 trailer with  
a generator and  
1 field kitchen

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2. At 6:30 a.m. on 31 May, a troop train of 1 boxcar with 1 officer and 6 EW wearing red-bordered black epaulets, and 3 flatcars [redacted] was unloaded at Oranienburg. The train came from Kirchmoeser. The unloaded vehicles drove toward KZ Sachsenhausen. 4

1. [redacted] Comment. The light-blue service color indicates that the shipment belonged to the air force. The content of the sheet-metal cases cannot be determined as they were too large for transportation of aircraft engines and power plants and too small for an aircraft. Engines and aircraft had previously been also transported in wooden crates.

2. [redacted] Comment. As the train went toward Schoenwalde, it probably carried elements of the 90th RL Regt (US) of the Second Gds Mecz Army. It is unknown whether these troops came from the Templin troop training grounds and when they had moved to Templin. [redacted]

[redacted] the complete regiment was at Schoenwalde during the second half of May, while its quarters were only lightly occupied on 4 June 1953. [redacted]

3. [redacted] Comment. The shipment of 3 tanks from Kirchmoeser to Oranienburg is of note as previous observations indicated that, during May 1953, 101 tanks of all types [redacted] arrived from the USSR via Frankfurt/Oder, including 39 tanks for Kirchmoeser and 42 tanks for Wuensdorf, places with large tank repair shops of the GDFG. [redacted] the tanks had to be repaired. As rear details of the 25th Tank Div and a KVP unit are stationed at KZ Sachsenhausen, the tanks observed possibly were assigned to a Soviet unit and/or the KVP [redacted]

[redacted] these observations could lead to a possible conclusion that, since some time, tank units in the USSR are being equipped with new materiel, and that their former tanks are repaired in East Germany and assigned to additional KVP units. This procedure, however, is contradictory to that of the past year when the three VP units of Armeegruppe Nord were equipped with new tanks from the USSR.

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